

Minutes

Seattle City Employees' Retirement System Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, January 12, 2006 - 9:00 a.m.
Pacific Building, 10th Floor

Present: Dwight Dively, Norma McKinney, Lou Walter, Mary Norris, and Paul Berry.

Absent: Richard McIver and Frank Mathews.

Dwight Dively served as Chair in the absence of Richard McIver.

Also Present: Kirk Jones – ARSCE, Ken Hunich – ARSCE, Walt North – ARSCE, Gwen Jensen - ARSCE, Mary Tannehill – City Personnel, Mike Monaco – Song Mondress, Norm Ruggles and Mel Robertson.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes:

Upon motion by Paul Berry, seconded by Lou Walter, the Retirement Board approved the minutes from the December 1, 2005 Retirement Board meeting.

Ratification of Retired Payroll, Office Payroll, Other Billings and Withdrawals:

Information: The following items represent normal expenses and nothing extraordinary.

Service	\$ 5,895,891.56
Beneficiary	672,248.76
Disability	64,642.89

Pension Payroll – January 2006	\$ 6,632,783.21
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Office Payroll - pay period ending November 29, 2005	\$ 26,134.79
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Office Payroll - pay period ending December 13, 2005	\$ 25,654.65
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Office Payroll - pay period ending December 27, 2005	\$ 26,319.33
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Vouchers Processed - from November 22, 2005 through January 4, 2006	\$ 193,184.83
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* \$ 101,601.36 Expert and Consultant Services

Immediate Withdrawal of Contributions:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>
Chase, Robin E.	DPD	Admin Spec I
Eyler, Kenneth D	City Light	Lineman
Gill, Hirod	SPU	Civil Engineer Assoc
Gilliland, Sandra J	City Light	Personnel Specialist Sr
Green, Andria M	Fire	Admin Spec I
Hansen, Stephen R	ESD	Property Rehab Spec
Hirt, Lauren Elizabeth	DCLU	Land Use Planner
Lampkin, Crystal R	City Light	Lineworker
Layton, Gavin F	Parks	Admin Support Asst
Long, Suzanne N.	Police	Communication Dispatcher I

Louck III, Lawrence L	ESD	Comm Tech
Mack, Steven E	Muni Court	Admin Spec II
Pascua, Jayna C	DPD	Accounting tech II
Pearce, Michael R	OED	Strategic Advisor 2
Pineda, Karina J	SPU	Intern
Rahal, Brian J	SPU	Civil Eng, Asst III
Skalka, Joseph L	Parks	Rec Attendant
Stevenson, Virginia M	TES	Plan & Dev Spec I
Stewart, Virginia A	Muni Court	Court Clerk
Wells, Curtis F	Parks	Rec Leader

Upon motion by Norma McKinney, seconded by Mary Norris, the Board ratified the Retired Payroll, Office Payroll, other Billings and Withdrawals.

Ratification of Service Retirements:

Information: The following list represents the retirements that have been processed since the last Retirement Board meeting.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Option</u>
Austin, Yvette E	11/3/2005	16	254	SPU	Water Treatment Operator	45	Disab
Bennett, Raquel T.	11/16/2005	18	110	City Light	Strategic Advisor II	62	C5
Cabugon, Franklin R	12/3/2005	15	227	Parks	Manual Operator	65	D,G-100
Crumley, Charles R.	11/16/2005	33	289	City Light	Credit Rep	57	D
Evans, Kenneth L	12/1/2005	20	196	Vested	Vested	57	A,F
Gagnon, Richard E.	12/1/2005	2	24	Vested-Dual	Vested	60	E
Lampe, Lynn M.	12/1/2005	14	31	Vested	Vested	58	B
Pratt, David R.	12/2/2005	25	212	City Light	Economist Sr	62	S
Stevica, Ivan	11/16/2005	22	123	SPU	Civil Engineer Assistant III	61	S,F
Weisgerber, Melvin	12/7/2005	6	336	SPU	Drainage & Waste Coll Wkr	62	C5,G-100

Upon motion by Norma McKinney, seconded by Lou Walter, the Retirement Board approved the service retirements listed above, pending final review.

Last month 30 members withdrew or retired, and 41 new members entered the System.

Ratification of Investment Transactions and Statement of Securities and Cash:

Norm reviewed the funding ratio along with monthly and year-to-date performance numbers on the Investment Summary report for November 2005. Mel highlighted items in the Investment Summary report and commented on likely investment results in December.

Upon motion by Paul Berry, seconded by Lou Walter, the Retirement Board approved the Investment Summary report.

Investment Committee Report:

The Investment Committee is scheduled to meet at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2006 in the Retirement Office.

There was no Investment Committee meeting in December 2005.

Mel reported that the liquidation of the Lazard, MFS and Amerindo portfolios would be completed within the next several days. An RFP for international equities will be posted on the website soon. The Attalus and Aetos investments have been funded.

Executive Director Report:

Norm told the Board a letter has been sent to the retirees who have been enrolled in the Regence medical plan, reminding them to make payment arrangements directly with Regence. This is in addition to the notice we sent in early November and a mailing sent by Regence.

Norm mentioned that the retiree payroll system has been improved and now has the functionality to report the non-taxable portion of the monthly retirement allowance on the monthly checks. The 1099R's for payments made in 2006 will include the total of taxable and non-taxable income, if any. Norm told the Board that most of the non-taxable income results from after-tax contributions by members of the Retirement System made before 1985, or from various types of buybacks. The improved reporting affects about 2,200 retirees.

Norm then reviewed a message that will be added to the annual member statements that discusses the stability of our Retirement System. The Board offered comments on the content of the message.

Old Business:

(1) Status of Benefit Enhancements

The Board was informed that the estimated current funding level of the Retirement Fund is 89.05% as of November 30, 2005.

(2) Disability Committee Rules

Norm reviewed changes to the draft rules that were made based on the Board discussions at the December 1, 2005 meeting.

Upon motion by Paul Berry, seconded by Mary Norris, the Retirement Board voted unanimously to accept the draft set of rules and directed staff to proceed with the rule making process.

New Business:

(1) Disability Committee Report

Mel reported that the Disability Committee recommends the Board deny the application for Beverly McClister.

Upon motion by Paul Berry, seconded by Norma McKinney, the Retirement Board voted unanimously to deny the disability retirement application for Beverly McClister based on the medical report of the independent panel of physicians, related materials, and the recommendation of the Disability Committee.

Mel reported that the Disability Committee recommends the Board deny the appeal and protest of Kathryn Trijonis. There was discussion among the Board, Mary Tannehill from City Personnel, and Mel.

Upon motion by Norma McKinney, seconded by Mary Norris, the Retirement Board voted unanimously to deny the appeal and protest by Kathryn Trijonis and to reaffirm the denial of her application, based on the medical report of the independent physicians reporting to the City Worker's Compensation Unit, the evaluation by a vocational expert, related materials, and the recommendation of the Disability Committee.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Lou Walter, seconded by Mary Norris, the Retirement Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

Norma McKinney, Secretary